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B. [] 1973 (169316)

1. [] MET MORNING 8 AUG. STAD AS SOLE SENIOR SURVIVOR

SMOTH BALTIC OPS HE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPPORTING WOFAC EERIK HEINE

[] CASE. AGAIN ASSURED [] FULL SMOTH SUPPORT.

2. RE TRACES HEINE PARENTS/WIFE THESE BEING RUN. RESULTS EXPECTED

9 AUG.

3. RE INTERVIEWING REBANE [] STATED REBANE KNOWS HIM BY TRUE NAME AND [] SUGGESTS BRINGING REBANE TO LONDON WHERE

[] CAN ASSURE REBANE "TELL ALL" THEN BOW OUT FOR REBANE/ WOFAC DISCUSSIONS. ALSO STATES CONTACT WITH REBANE SHOULD USE

[] TRUE NAME AND EXPLAINS REBANE []

[] VIS A VIS PROBLEM SOV CONTROL SMOTH OPS. WAS EXTREMELY HELPFUL DURING INTERROGATION STAGE.

4. RE ESTONIAN LEGATION LONDON, [] ASKED IF U.S. EMBASSY LONDON COULD CHECK AS [] AND SMOTH ANXIOUS AVOID

CONTACT WITH BALTS IN LONDON, HAVING HAD THEIR SHARE TRAUMAE DURING

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BALTIC OP DAYS. [] STATED ESTONIAN MINISTER AUGUST TORMA
WILL CERTAINLY BE AWARE HEINE CASE AND SHOULD BE ABLE PROVIDE
ANSWERS PARA 1 REF A.

5. RE SMOTH KNOWLEDGE PARTISAN GROUPS ESTONIA []
COMMENTED IT IMPORTANT TO REALIZE SMOTH HAD NO RPT NO CONTACT AT
ANY TIME WITH GENUINE ANTI-SOVIET GROUPS, I.E. INITIAL CONTACTS
MADE IN 1949 IN LATVIA BY SMOTH WERE WITH GROUPS LATER PROVEN
UNDER KGB CONTROL SINCE 1949. THESE CONTACTS LATER EXPANDED TO
ESTONIA STILL UNDER KGB CONTROL AND CONTINUED THROUGH 1956 WITHOUT
SMOTH EVER RUNNING INDEPENDENT, I.E. NON CONTROLLED OPS. THUS
SMOTH KNOWLEDGE CONSISTS OF (A) KGB LEGENDS FED THROUGH THESE
CONTROLLED OPS, AND (B) CONFESSIONS OF THREE INDIVIDUALS BROKEN BY SMOTH
IN U.K., PLUS ANALYSIS OF KGB LEGENDS AND AGENT CONFESSIONS.

[] OFFERED PASS TO WOFAC THESE CONFESSIONS TOGETHER WITH
LEGENDS AND SMOTH ANALYSIS COMMENTS AT TIME OF INTERROGATION FOR
WHATEVER VALUE THEY WOULD HAVE. [] ACCEPTED, URGED REPROD-
UCTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, OFFERED MAKE COPIES [] WHICH
TO BE ACCOMPLISHED IF SMOTH UNABLE 8/9 AUG MAKE OWN COPIES FOR
PASSING. [] AND BROIS NELK (SUB PARA M, ATT B, DEFW-23106)

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CONFESSION READY FOR REPRODUCTION AND INSTRUCTED SMOTH OFFICER []

[] WHO BALTIC INTERROGATOR 1956, TO LOCATE AND REPRODUCE
OTHER CONFESSIONS.

6. [] STATED HIS BELIEF TIMING OF EERIK HEINE APPROACH
TO SOLADY NOV 56 VERY IMPORTANT AS BY THEN KGB UNDOUBTEDLY FULLY
AWARE SMOTH HAD DISCOVERED EXTENT KGB CONTROLLED SMOTH BALTIC OPS
AND KGB AT THAT TIME ATTEMPTING FRANTICALLY AVOID COLLAPSE INTRICATE
BALTIC "PARTISAN OPS" COMPLEX. [] STATED HE HAD ASSUMED
CONTROL SMOTH BALTIC OPS 54, BY SUMMER 55 SUSPICIONS SOMETHING WRONG
BORNE OUT BY FIRST FULL CONFESSION, TWO MORE RECEIVED NOV 55 AND 56.
BY SUMMER 56 KGB AWARE SMOTH COUNTER EFFORTS AND HAD ALLOWED SMOTH
DISPATCH VIA FINLAND TO ESTONIA AGENT, WHO BROKEN BY SMOTH IN U.K.,
AND HAD ALLOWED THIS AGENT PICK UP SMOTH AGENT FROM ESTONIA,
BRING BACK TO U.K. WITH "SACKS OF INTEL". THIS SECOND AGENT
INTERROGATED AND CONFESSED. [] ALSO STATED SMOTH HAD
BEEN CONTACTED BY LITHUANIAN PARTISAN AGENT IN BERLIN 56 WITH FRESH
LEADS WHO SEIZED AND INTERROGATED BUT UNFORTUNATELY ESCAPED FROM
SAFEHOUSE WEST BERLIN AND FLED. SMOTH ALSO STATES ONE AGENT BROKEN
(OR PARTIALLY BROKEN) AND FLED TO SOVEMB STOCKHOLM, THUS PROVING
SMOTH SUSPICIONS RE HIS ACTIVITIES.

7. ALTHO ABOVE OF CONSIDERABLE INTEREST []

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WHETHER HQS REQUIREMENTS BEING MET AND REQUEST GUIDANCE RE STATION
APPROACHING ESTONIAN MINISTER TORMA AS WELL AS SPECIFIC ASSISTANCE
OTHER THAN PASSAGE CONFESSIONS OF VALUE THIS CASE.

8. [] STATED SWEDS COULD BE APPROACHED AS THEY HAD
INDEPENDENT NETS IN ESTONIA ALTHO MANY IF NOT ALL WERE WRAPPED
UP AND PUBLICIZED BY RIS.

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